GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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DIVERSION OF FOREST LAND
VINAY KUMAR SORAKE

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have accorded 'in-principle' approval for release of 120.60 hectare forest land for the implementation of Varahi irrigation project;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Karnataka has urged upon the Union Government for a formal approval to this effect; and

(d) if so, by when the approval is to be accorded in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI DILIP SINGH JU DEV)

(a) to (d) Central Government have accorded in-principle approval for diversion of 129.60 hectare forest land for construction of Varahi Irrigation Project in Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka on 20th March, 2001 subject to fulfillment of certain conditions. Government of Karnataka has not submitted the complete compliance report of the stipulated conditions till date.